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Communism in Control!

INTERNATIONAL communism, directed from Moscow, largely molded the foreign and domestic policies of the Roosevelt and Truman Administrations. And communism is still molding many of the policies of the Eisenhower Administration.

Roosevelt and Truman, doubtless unaware of what communist influence was doing, were inex-
cusably credulous. And Mr. Eisenhower today,
equally unaware of why his Administration is
doing some of the things it is doing, is equally
credulous.

Communist influence is now as potent as ever.
We do not say this lightly. If the communist trend
of the past twenty-four years in America is not soon
reversed, we shall be faced with complete disaster.

What do we mean by disaster? We mean that the
liberty our ancestors won will come to an end. State
and local rights will be wiped out. And the Wash-
ington Administration, then completely controlled
by international communism, will be as great a
tyrant as the communist dictatorships in Russia and
the satellite countries are today. Those who have
played in with communist treachery will be on top.
Those who have fought communism, or have ig-
nored it, will be complete slaves. Their property,
including their securities and bank accounts, will
be confiscated. The majority will not dare utter a
word in opposition.

The new regime will be as permanent as com-
munist dictatorships are everywhere, once they are
established.

ON June 12, 1956, Dr. Bella Dodd, formerly a
professor in Hunter College, New York, and
a brilliant lawyer, who was for many years a mem-
ber of the National Committee of the Communist
Party USA, was a sworn witness before the Senate

Internal Security Committee. The following col-
loquy took place:

Senator Jenner: "Dr. Dodd, what is your honest
opinion as to whether or not the Communist Party is
gaining, standing still, or losing ground in America?
We know where it is in the world. But in America."

Dr. Dodd: "I think the Communist Party is gain-
ing at an alarming rate. I think the Communist
Party is not gaining that under the label of Com-
munist, but by having its operators operate under
many different labels, under many different titles.
But the people who were known to me as either
Party members or associates of the Party are mount-
ing to important positions in policymaking, both on
the industrial level, on the communications level,
and on the governmental level."

Here are eight pieces of evidence that the Roose-
velt and Truman Administrations were under com-
munist influence:

1. The recognition of Soviet Russia by Roosevelt
in 1933. The terms of the recognition, which consti-
tuted a reversal of the policy of Wilson, Harding,
Coolidge and Hoover, were violated by Soviet Russia
from the very beginning and we made no effective
protest.

2. The enactment in 1936, of the Wagner Labor
Disputes Act which was not written by Senator
Wagner, but by Lee Pressman, later a confessed
communist and general counsel of the CIO. The
House Committee hearings in 1940 showed that the
National Labor Relations Board was infested with
and largely run by communists.

3. The reversal of American policy which per-
mitted us to be drawn into World War II under the
influence of communism, exercised through the
British Government, which has long been peculiarly
subject to Soviet influence. Illustrations of the latter
are the inviting of top Soviet leaders to London last
year, the prompt recognition by Britain several years

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ago of Red China and the recent announcement by Britain that she will trade in vitally important goods and commodities with Red China.

4. The conduct of World War II by Roosevelt, notably the forcing on Soviet Russia (without exacting any *quid pro quo* from Russia, which we now know she was entirely prepared to give) of more than \$11 billion of lend-lease; the rejection of the plan to invade the Balkans while Stalin was engaged in trying to drive the Germans out of Russia, and the substitution of the plan to invade and destroy a substantial part of France, with resultant cost in American lives; the fantastic retreat, against the bitter opposition of General Patton and others, over roughly a hundred miles of previously conquered German territory, in order to permit Soviet Russia to take Berlin and East Germany. This last, together with the failure to invade the Balkans, turned all of Eastern Europe over to Soviet Russia.

5. The despicable sellout to Russia at Yalta, important parts of which were kept completely from the American people at the time.

6. The setting up of the United Nations, under the blessing of both Roosevelt and Truman. The UN was largely the brain-child of communists and communist-influenced persons, including Alger Hiss, General Secretary of the San Francisco Conference at which the UN Charter was drawn up. George Sokolsky, in his broadcast of June 9, aptly called the UN headquarters in New York the "House of Hiss."

7. The sellout of China to the communists, aided and abetted by such organizations as the Institute of Pacific Relations, always a favorite with the State Department and the recipient of millions of dollars which were allowed tax exemption by the Roosevelt and Truman Administrations. Owen Lattimore, director of the I.P.R., was officially described by the Senate Internal Security Committee as "a conscious, articulate instrument of the communist conspiracy." Yet this man was reinstated as head of a department in Johns Hopkins University, whose president is now Milton Eisenhower.

8. American involvement through Truman in the Korean War, and even more, the complete acquiescence of the United States in letting the UN, under the dictation of Soviet Russia, forbid the winning of the war. This led to the disgraceful firing by Truman of General MacArthur, who Field-Marshal Lord Alanbrooke, as quoted by Arthur Bryant in *The Turn of the Tide*, says was the greatest soldier of World War II.

We could go on almost indefinitely. It is hard to

find anything done by the Roosevelt or Truman Administrations that was contrary to the interests of world communism.

COMMUNIST influence has been just as powerful in the Eisenhower Administration as in the two previous ones. And this in spite of the frequent statements of the President against communism.

The single fact stated a few weeks ago by Congressman Francis Walter tells its own story, that communists were able to bring in 5,000 Hungarian communists following the Hungarian uprising last fall, before the Eisenhower Administration realized what was going on. **Many of these promptly disappeared.** They will not re-appear until the Communist International is ready to stage an uprising in America. Then we'll know where they are.

Evidences of communist infiltration in the Washington Administration and in many phases of American private life, can be found in the following:

First.—Continued support of the United Nations by the Administration. The President has said on many occasions that the UN is the cornerstone of American foreign policy. **The cornerstone used to be the Constitution of the United States.** The President continues to hold that we have surrendered an important part of our sovereignty (how much, God only knows) to the UN. No other nation takes such a position. The communists were in on the conception and birth of the UN and they are the dominating influence in it today. Every UN representative from Soviet Russia and from the satellite countries is of course a spy.

It would be hard to find a single thing the UN has done which has strengthened the United States. It has done many things—such as the partition of Palestine, thereby opening the door to Soviet influence in the Middle East—which are highly detrimental to the United States.

Second.—The summit meeting at Geneva in June, 1955. This, so far as the United States was concerned, was a trap into which Mr. Eisenhower and his associates walked—despite advance warnings and despite all previous experience.

The summit conference was a failure from every American standpoint and the Economic Council and others warned of this. Everyone who had fol-

lowed prior events intelligently knew it would be a failure. The Administration should have known it. But communist influence, acting through the "liberals" and left-wingers in the Administration persuaded the President there was real chance of success.

Third.—The continued reckless extravagance of the Federal Government. Council Letter 402 showed the direct Federal debt of the United States is nearly twice as great as the combined debt of the 26 next largest debtor nations; and our Federal spending is 17 per cent greater than the aggregate spending of the 32 next largest spending nations, not including Soviet Russia.

The present Federal debt is larger than the value of all property, real and personal, corporate and individual, in the United States, combined. In addition to our direct debt, there are many billions of indirect debt. The most recent effort of the Treasury to sell bonds was a failure. This has alarmed some of the keener minds in Washington.

Measured by the index of wholesale prices, the dollar of today has depreciated 57 per cent in purchasing power since 1939 and is now worth only 43 cents compared with the dollar of 1934. It is still falling. Yet Administration policies seem to ignore this.

Fourth.—Continued softness toward the excesses of tyrannical labor bosses. There is no sign in the leadership of either party of any willingness to come to grips with the threat posed by tyrannical organized labor. In the communist-inspired strikes of the 1930's and in many cases since then, Americans have been killed by labor goons. Yet Government has been afraid to punish the killers.

Americans have seen in the past three years the most studied attempts, including the attempt by imported labor goons, to tyrannize over the men and women who wanted to continue working for the Kohler Company, of Kohler, Wisconsin. The CIO has spent millions in order, as one of its officers recently stated, to destroy, if necessary, the Kohler Company. The CIO is now engaged in a nationwide boycott to try to persuade municipalities, contractors, dealers, etc., to boycott Kohler products. These goons have been guilty of assault, and of

destruction of homes and property. And, meanwhile the Governor of Wisconsin hasn't had the guts to protect American citizens who want to work.

The management and loyal employees of Kohler deserve the thanks of all Americans for their courageous fight. Every American individual and corporation that plans construction should insist on the specification of Kohler products. And many are doing just this.

Communists are responsible for the Kohler destruction and other outrages. The President is willing to spend billions abroad to prevent the victory of communism. But he has displayed little interest in trying to stop present-day ravages of communism right here in the United States.

Fifth.—Strikes or threatened strikes for the purpose of raising wages and other benefits. These are closely connected with other union outrages. As a result of holding up employers, wages in many lines have been raised to a point where the costs of many goods and services produced are out of all proportion to their value. The excessive demands of union czars are probably greater even than high taxes in their inflationary effect.

Sixth.—Recent Supreme Court decisions since 1933. While under the Constitution, the Supreme Court is an independent, coordinate branch of the Government, yet every one of its present Members was appointed by Roosevelt, Truman or Eisenhower. So it is not surprising that the Court has leaned heavily toward socialism, and shows the influence of communism in certain recent important decisions.

For the Court is clearly engaged in amending the Constitution in such a way as to wipe out the rights of the States. Thus in effect the Court is furthering the schemes of internationalism and communism. For as long as States' Rights and the Constitution and Bill of Rights stand, communism can never prevail in America.

These communist tendencies have been shown in the segregation decision of May 17, 1954, in which the Supreme Court, throwing all legal precedent and principle to the winds, based its decision on socialistic sociologists, including one foreign-born individual who had openly expressed contempt for the Constitution.

The tendencies are evident in the Court's decision, in effect, annulling the sedition laws of the various States. It has refused to allow the States to protect themselves against communist infiltration, while the national Administrations, since 1933, have failed to protect America and American citizens against communism.

So much for the past.

But now, the President is pressing the Congress:

a. To vote \$2 billion of Federal money to build schools throughout the country, although the President's own commission has reported that every State can build its own, and although the giving of Federal money would lead to centralized Federal control.

b. To pass the so-called Civil Rights bills, which would wipe out some of the most vital rights of the states and of citizens, and would be a re-enactment of the "Reconstruction" which worked such havoc in the South in 1866-1877.

c. To involve the United States irrevocably in the Atoms for Peace scheme, under which the United States would throw into an international pool a huge quantity of fissionable material, and would thereafter be subject in vital matters to a majority vote of the 60 or 70 members of that pool, in which we would have but a single vote.

OUR Government is vastly overextended. Both personal liberty and national solvency are in grave danger. If the trend is not reversed, America has not long to live as a free country.

Each of these three current projects should be rejected by the Congress. A strong "Bricker Amendment" should be adopted. And as a start toward saving the Republic, drastic cuts should be made in Federal spending.

Hadn't you better write your Congressman and Senators *again*, Mr. Citizen?

Billy Graham's answer to communism is day by day Christian living by individuals. Over 18,000 persons attend his phenomenal Crusade nightly at Madison Square Garden, New York City. Out-of-town groups of twenty-five or more can obtain reserved seats free upon application to the Billy Graham New York Crusade, 165 West 46th Street, New York 36. The Crusade is on TV every Saturday at 8 P.M. and closes July 21.

BOOK REVIEW

Colonel Augustin G. Rudd, a regular Army veteran of both World Wars, and for fifteen years a keen student of the public school system, has written *Bending the Twig*, with a sub-title *The Revolution in Education and Its Effect on Our Children*, published by The Heritage Foundation.

This book gives a picture of the confusion in the public schools, due to so-called "progressive education." It is written in simple, understandable language. It is objective and well documented, and will be enormously useful to any man or woman, especially a parent. No parent who cares for the future of this country and for the future of his children, should fail to read this 291-page book. It hints how to tell whether *your* school is left-wing or American.

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